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FM AMEMBASSY ROME

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FOR: PLEASE PASS RINZLER FROM ARNDT

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TAGS: OEXC, IT

SUBJ: SMITHSONIAN FESTIVAL OF AMERICAN FOLKLIFE

1) ANZINI WORRIED BECAUSE TWA RESERVATIONS FOR TROUPE NOT YET COVERED BY PAYMENT.

2) CHECK OF DLR 1,671.45 FOR ANZINI RECEIVED. ASSUME THIS COVERS EXPENSES WITHIN ITALY.

3) INFORMED BY AMBASSADOR MAZIO THAT FIRST CONTRIBUTION FROM MINISTRY OF TOURISM TOWARDS COST OF TEMPO PERDUTO WILL BE SENT TO EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. UNFORTUNATELY ONLY HALF MILLION LIRE I.E. DLR 700. MAZIO OPTIMISTIC MORE WILL BE FORTHCOMING.

4) HAVE SPOTTED ONE SOURCE OF APPARENT DIFFICULTIES ABOUT THIS ENTIRE QUESTION. MINISTRY OF TOURISM HAD AND STILL HAS RESERVATIONS ABOUT NATURE OF SELECTIONS, FEELING THAT CHOICE OF NONPROFESSIONALS INAPPROPRIATE ETC. MINISTRY IN FACT HAD COUNTER-PROPOSED NEAPOLITAN GROUP WHICH, WE UNDERSTAND, DOES HAVE CONSIDERABLE MERIT. MAZIO HAS PREVAILED, USING ARGUMENT THAT SMITHSONIAN PROJECT HIGHLY SCIENTIFIC IN ITS ORGANIZATION ETC. NONETHELESS BELIEVE IT MIGHT BE WISE IN NEXT YEAR'S SELECTION TO BE MORE SENSITIVE TO ITALIAN CONCERNS. FAILING IN THIS SUGGEST SEND ELOQUENT DELEGATE TO ITALY TO PERSUADE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF SMITHSONIAN VIEWPOINT. 5) CONVERSATION WITH JON SHAHN INDICATES UNCLASSIFIED

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ROSSI AND RECUPERO DISAPPOINTED SERIOUSLY ABOUT INABILITY TO COME

WITH TROUPE. SEE THEIR UNDERSTANDING AND PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE  
AS IMPORTANT, IN RE PARAGRAPH (2).VOLPE

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